

**WAUKESHA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER  
MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 17, 2012  
Minutes**

**Present:**

Mary Madden (NAMI), Dennis Farrell (HHS Board Citizen Member), Joan Sternweis (Clinical Services Manager), Linda Cole (Friendships) Corrine Gresen (WMH), Lisa McLean (Mental Health Association), Colleen Gonzalez (WCTC), Marybeth Vander Male (HIL), Danielle Birdeau (TSSU Supervisor), Esther Jensen (Public Health) and Laura Sette (Public Defender)

**Guest:** Heather Hinkforth

**Excused:**

Chair Troy Norman (Goodwill), Terry Findley (Consumer Advisor), and Kathy Mack (Certified Peer Specialist)

The meeting was called to order by Mary Madden at 1:36 pm.

**Review and approval of August 20, 2012 minutes**

Danielle Birdeau made a motion to approve minutes as published. Dennis Farrell second. All vote, unanimous. Approved. Mary Madden signed the minutes.

**Education Segment:** Esther Jensen, Community Health Educator, Waukesha County Public Health Go to Waukesha County/HHS/Public Health website ([www.waukeshacounty.gov](http://www.waukeshacounty.gov)) to view a video that gives an overview of public health services.

**Board Liaison Report – Dennis Farrell**

The Board met last Thursday beginning to discuss electronic health record at MHC.

HHS board continues to educate new members on various county departments. Gilbert Gerke is the chair of the HHS board.

Approved appointment of Amy Gurka Ph.D. (psychologist) to MHC staff.

New HHS building progressing well; under budget and ahead of schedule.

**Sub-Committee Reports**

**1. Legislative – Dennis Farrell**

Nothing further to report.

**2. CCS Coordinating Committee**

CCS did not meet today. Mary Madden will follow up and schedule a CCS meeting for October to discuss unmet needs.

**3. COP Report – Danielle Birdeau**

No report.

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**4. Peer Specialist Committee of Waukesha County – Kathy Mack**

Peer Specialist met last week. The group will further discuss their mission and job duties of the information director.

**5. CHIPP update**

Reviewed key issues data. Top six issues identified are:

- limited funds for service;
- lack of discharge alternatives when leaving jail (includes housing);
- lack of housing for individuals with mental health issues;
- lack of case coordination resulting in duplication of services/lack of centralized case coordination;
- general lack of knowledge/awareness about available programs and services/resources;
- lack of resources available for law enforcement re: services/options when not meeting criteria for emergency detention/lack of respite/lack of 24 hour mobile crisis response and/or evaluation services;
- lack of co-occurring treatment.

CHIPP committee is meeting following this meeting to further discuss this list.

**Old Business**

MHAC membership follow up: CSP supervisor reports she has two consumers interested in joining this committee. Mary Madden continues to recruit for a CIT law enforcement officer. Colleen Gonzales will follow up with DVR. Dennis Farrell will recruit an elected official.

**New Business**

None

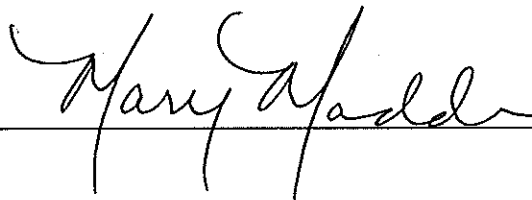
**Other**

Next meeting scheduled for October 15, 2012 at 1:30 p.m.

Dennis Farrell made a motion to adjourn. Corrine Gressen second. All vote, unanimous. Approved. Adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Cooper, Recorder

Minutes were approved

 Date 10/15/12

Remaining CCS Coordinating Committee 2012 meeting dates:

October TBD

November 19, 2012